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Water Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Branch (WC-15J)  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
77 West Jackson Boulevard  
Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590

Attention: Donald R. Schwer III  
Enforcement Officer

RE: Town of Griffith, Indiana – Order for Compliance  
Docket No. V-W-12-AO-08

Dear Mr. Schwer,

This letter will update you on the progress being made by the Town of Griffith in their negotiations with the Gary Sanitary District (GSD). Over the last several months we have been exchanging information on the feasibility of the Town of Griffith sending all of their flow to the GSD for treatment. Based on the preliminary findings and a meeting held with the GSD last Wednesday, May 7, 2014 the Town has determined that it is in their best interest to continue negotiations and move forward with the next phase of the process as outlined in item 3 of the Memorandum of Understanding previously sent to you. Item 3 addresses extending the agreement an additional 180 days for negotiation of the terms of an agreement for the treatment of sanitary sewage by the GSD.

Our next meeting with the GSD is scheduled for June 11, 2014. We anticipate holding meetings at least monthly to review technical and contractual issues with the goal of having an agreement in place by the end of the year. Based on our preliminary schedule, this would allow us to have the project designed, permitted and constructed by the time the Town's current agreement with the Hammond Sanitary District expires on December 31, 2018.

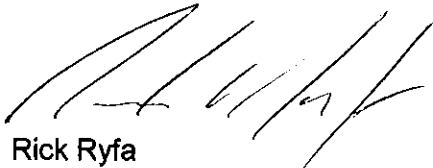
Our preliminary engineering report, prepared by Lawson-Fisher Associates, indicates that a flow rate to the GSD of approximately 12.0 MGD is sufficient to prevent all sanitary sewer overflows except those during extreme rain events. We are also working with the GSD to ensure reserve capacity of up to 15.0 MGD if determined to be needed in the future. If you have any comments regarding this analysis, please let us know.

Thank you for your patience as we work through this process to ensure the most economical solution for the Town of Griffith citizens.

If you have any questions or need any further information, please let us know.

Sincerely,

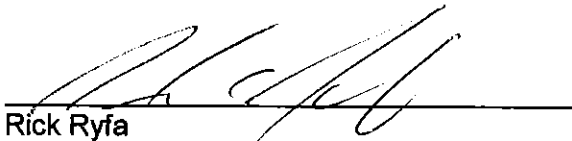
**TOWN OF GRIFFITH**



Rick Ryfa  
Town Council President

**CERTIFICATION**

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